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Code Enforcement Reminders

City of Milton staff involved in code enforcement for properties review a variety of ordinance violations. If a violation is found, the Code Enforcement Officer typically leaves an orange brochure with the violation indicated as a warning. In other instances, such as weed violations, ordinances require a certified letter be mailed to the property owner.

Below is a list of common code violations. If any further clarification or information is needed on these code violations, please contact the Department of Public Works or the Code Enforcement Officer at the Police.

Failure to Cut or Destroy Weeds & Grasses Exceeding One Foot in Height (Section 26.71 & 26.72)

Weeds & grass cannot exceed one foot in height.

Mowed Grass Clippings into the Street (Section 10-376)

It is a violation of city ordinance to mow grass clippings into the street. If grass clippings are blown into the street, they need to be cleaned up immediately. There is a yard waste drop-off dumpster located at the Public Works Garage at 150 Northside Drive.

Brush in the Street (Section 62-6)

Brush can only be on the terrace during scheduled brush pickup times. A brush pickup schedule is available on the back of the refuse and recycling schedule and on the city's website. If you have storm damage, call the Department of Public Works for a special pick up.

Trash on Front Terrace (Section 62.12, 62.14, & 62.15)

Bulky trash items are collected on the third collection day of each month. You can contact Johns Disposal (888-473-4701) for a special pickup at your expense. Trash cannot be placed at the curb until 6:00 p.m. on the day prior to collection. Containers cannot be stored in front of the residence and shall be removed from curb within 12 hours of pick up.

Leaves and Yard Waste on Terrace or in Street (Section 62-6)

Leaves and yard waste can only be placed on the terrace during designated collection times

following the appropriate guidelines. The leaf/yard waste collection schedule is on the back of the refuse and recycling schedule or on the city's website.

Trees & Shrubs (Section 66-211)

All trees must be trimmed 15 feet above the curb/street and 8 feet above the sidewalk. The city will trim trees as time and weather allow.

Hazardous Trees on Property (Section 66-212)

The property owner is required to remove the identified hazardous tree. If the tree falls in the right-of-way or elsewhere requiring attention, the city will remove the tree and charge all applicable costs to the property owner.

Dog or Cat At-Large (Section 6-31, 6-91 and State Statute 174)

All dogs and cats over five months of age in the City must be licensed by April 1 of each year. Proof of rabies vaccination is required when licensing a dog or cat.

Dog Defecation (Section 6-93)

Animal owners are expected to clean up after their pets. Animal waste cannot be left on City property, terraces (right of way), sidewalks, in storm sewers, neighbors' yards, etc. or accumulate in your yard.

Lack of 5 foot, lockable gate around a pool (Section 10-182 & 10-183)

Construct a 5 foot fence around the pool or drain the pool immediately. Pools less than 30 inches in depth are exempt from this ordinance.

Lack of pool permit (Section 10-181)

Obtain a pool permit from the Department of Public Works.

Lack of Construction Permit (Section 10-51)

Construction permits are required for work at your home, business, or property. Call the Department of Public Works (868-6914) for more information.

Unlicensed Vehicles & Parts (Section 50-154)

Unlicensed vehicles and parts cannot be stored outside.

Important Dates to Remember:

Trick-or-Treat Hours:

• October 31, 2017 – 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Election:

• November 7, 2017 – Special Election (School District of Milton Referendum)

New City Website:

The City of Milton's new website went live on September 5, 2017. The site has a completely new look and feel. If there is any additional content or photos you would like to be considered to be added to the website, please contact Administrative Services Director Inga Cushman at icushman@milton-wi.gov or at City Hall.

Election – 11/7/17

The School District of Milton's Board Education has decided to offer a capital referendum question to School District of Milton voters Tuesday, November 7th, City of Milton residents will vote at City Hall, 710 S. Janesville Street, and polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 7th. The School District of Milton website additional information on the ballot question. Stay tuned for absentee voting information coming soon!

City of Milton Department Phone Numbers:

City Hall - 868-6900 Fire Dept.: 868-2842 Library – 868-7462 Police Dept. –868-6910 Public Works –868-6914



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Code Enforcement Reminders (Cont.)

Lack of Address Numbering (Section 66-72)

2-1/2" min 8" max numbering near main entrance.

Parked on Grass (Section 78-1173)

It is against city ordinances to park on the grass in the front yard or terrace.

Boats, campers, boat trailers, recreational trailers, work trailers, and other similar nonvehicle items parked on street (Section 70-154)

Cannot park on street more than 48 hours in a seven-day period. Applies whether or not connected to a motor vehicle.

Off-Street Parking (Section 78-1201)

Parking of any unit off-street requires the surface to be paved with a hard, all-weather surface.

Failure to Clear Sidewalk of Snow or Ice (Section 66-71 & Ordinance #284)

Residents must clear their sidewalks within 60 hours of the end of a snowfall. Residents cannot push or blow snow into or across the street. If left, the additional snow causes bumps and ice areas after plowing.

Seminar – "Dealing with Stubborn Vacancies Downtown"



The City of Milton Historic Preservation Commission will be hosting a 75-minute program called "Dealing with Stubborn Downtown" Vacancies September 27, 2017 at 2 p.m. at the Milton House Museum, 18 S. Janesville Street. The presenters will be Joe Lawniczak and Errin Welty from the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC). Those interested in attending can sign up online at www.miltonwi.gov/DowntownSeminar.

Finding new uses for older buildings is challenging in good times and bad. This session will lay out the top reasons for commercial building vacancies in many historic commercial districts. Learn about some of the simple and inexpensive approaches for dealing with problem real estate, such as simple façade improvements, effective marketing efforts, etc. Strategies will be provided to combat each, along with case studies and resources.

Prior to the program, the Milton House Museum is offering free tours to attendees. After the program, the Historic Preservation Commission is hosting a networking reception at Northleaf Winery, 232 S. Janesville Street. The cost for the reception is \$10.

Sign up for the program, Milton House Museum Tour, and the networking reception online at www.milton-wi.gov/DowntownSeminar. For additional information, contact City Hall.

Celebrate the Merger of Milton and Milton Junction



This year is the 50th anniversary of the merger of Milton and Milton Junction. To celebrate this milestone, the Historic Preservation Commission is creating a scavenger hunt focusing on the community's historic resources and an event called "50 Years Together" that will take

place on November 5, 2017 at 2 p.m. at the Milton House Museum.

Prizes for the scavenger hunt will be awarded at the event and a 50th anniversary commemorative video will be revealed. The theme for the event is "Happy Birthday Milton." Cake and refreshments will be served.

Additional details about the scavenger hunt and 50 Years Together event will be released in the coming weeks.

City Meeting Schedule:

- September 18, 6 p.m. –
 Parks & Recreation
 Commission
- September 19, 4 p.m. Plan Commission
- September 19, 6:30 p.m.
 Public Works
 Committee
- September 19, 7 p.m. Council
- September 20, 7 p.m. Joint Fire Commission
- September 28, 8:30 a.m.
 Tourism Development Committee
- October 3, 4 p.m. Plan Commission
- October 3, 7 p.m. Council
- October 4, 5:30 p.m. Historic Preservation Commission
- October 16, 6 p.m. –
 Parks & Recreation
 Commission
- October 17, 6:30 p.m. Personnel & Finance Committee
- October 17, 7 p.m. Council
- October 18, 5 p.m. WILEAG Accreditation Public Hearing
- October 18, 7 p.m. Joint Fire Commission

Dates and times for meetings may change. All agendas and minutes are posted on the City of Milton website (www.miltonwi.gov).

Prairie Seed Collection

October 21, 2017 10 a.m. to Noon Crossridge Park

Do you have an idea for information to include in the next newsletter?
Contact City Hall at (608) 868-6900 ext. 5.